




Compact & Connected Priority Program Team

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Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan



Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan Implementation

Community Engagement

Internal Alignment

Regulations

Public Investment

Partnerships

8 Priority Programs

Priority Program #1:
Invest in C&C Austin

Priority Program #2:
Sustainable Water

Priority Program #3:
Align Code

Priority Program #4:
Green Infrastructure

Priority Program #5:
Workforce Development

Priority Program #6:
Household Affordability

Priority Program #7:
Creative Economy

Priority Program #8:
Healthy Austin


COMPACT & CONNECTED Priority Program Team

Cross-departmental team working on internal alignment related to
Priority Program #1: "Invest in a Compact & Connected Austin"

Team Manager:
Keri Juarez, Assistant Director, Public Works

Lead Departments:
Public Works
Austin Transportation Department
Capital Planning Office
Planning and Development Review Department

Additional Participants:
Economic Development Department
Watershed Protection Department
And Invited Guests




Compact & Connected Priority Program Team

Mission


- Convene
- Connect
- Inform
- Create

Focus Areas

- Compact and Connected Training
- CodeNEXT Input
- Complete Streets
- Placemaking Coordination
- Connecting/Partnering



Over the past year, team members have identified "bright ideas" for making City Initiatives more Compact and Connected.






"Hi, we're here from the Compact & Connected Priority Program Team ... and we're here to help!"

CMO commissioned the C+C Priority Program Team to "sniff out" opportunities for C+C development within our own departments

COMPACT & CONNECTED
What does it really mean?


"[W]e need to coordinate the physical form of Austin -- how it's organized and how it is built -- with our transportation network."



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What does it really mean?

"Development occurs in connected and pedestrian-friendly patterns supporting transit and urban lifestyles and reducing sprawl, while protecting and enhancing neighborhoods."

"Interconnected development patterns support public transit and a variety of transportation choices, while reducing sprawl, congestion, travel times, and negative impacts on existing neighborhoods."



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What does it really mean?

Mixing Uses vs. Separating Uses



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What does it really mean?

Compact Infill Development



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What does it really mean?

Convenient Access to Employment Centers



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What does it really mean?

"Complete" Streets



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What does it really mean?

Daily Necessities in Walking Range



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What does it really mean?

Inter-Connected Street Network



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What does it really mean?

Multiple Transportation Options



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What does it really mean?

Centers and Corridors



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In Practice

- Housing + Jobs + Transit Action Team
- Central Corridor Rail Investment
- Complete Streets Policy
- CodeNEXT



CODENEXT
SHAPING THE AUSTIN WE IMAGINE

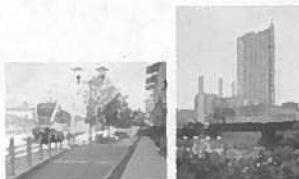
Highlight: C&C Professional Development Course

- Cross departmental learning, discussion and dialogue
 - Compact & Connected urban design principles
 - Imagine Austin: C&C
 - Codes, LDC revision
- Prepares staff to work across departments to achieve a more Compact & Connected city
- 2 Courses Complete + CMO Course
- Plan to provide course to public
- Over 120 participants to date
 - ✓ 18+ Departments
 - ✓ 35+ Directors & AD's
 - ✓ CMO + ACME



C&C Team Achievements and Activities

- C&C Training: Providing training to staff, CMO, others
- Departmental & Agency Initiatives: Inquire, track, receive project updates from member departments and other organizations including TxDOT, Capital Metro, and Austin Water.
- Imagine Austin Annual Report: Providing information, reviewing content



C&C Team Achievements and Activities

- CodeNEXT: Reviewing materials and providing input on how to support a Compact and Connected Austin
- Complete Streets Policy: Partnering with ATD on Development of Complete Streets Policy
- CIP Strategic Planning: Partnering with CPO on Development of a CIP Strategic Plan
- Facilities: Providing input to Strategic Facilities Governance Team on Best Practices



Recommendations

- Serve as C&C ambassadors
- Consider taking Compact and Connected Course
- CIP Strategic Plan: Invest in C&C
- Establish consistent dedicated funding source for street reconstruction to free up bond programs for strategic C&C Investments
- Complete Streets: Make our public realm great
- Use city fees and zoning to shape and incentivize C&C development
- Lead by example: City facilities



Thank You!



Plan Your Future!

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